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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this Preliminary Amendment for entry before examination of the above-identified application. A marked-up version of the amended claim is supplied pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(iii).

In the claims:

Please amend claim 23 as follows:

23 (amended). The battery of claim 1 wherein the compound that chemically interferes with flame propagation has the general structure:

